## MANISTEE AREA P.E.G. COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES January 26, 2000

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Manistee Area P.E.G. Commission was held on January 26, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 70 maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

G. Carlson, F. Balcer, J. Mencarelli, E. Sutherland, M. Tillotson, E. Bush-Ex.

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## **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

OTHERS PRESENT:

Lorraine Carlson, Tex Collins,

The meeting was brought to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. by Carlson. Carlson turned the meeting over to Scrimger for election of officers.

Balcer nominated Carlson for the position of president. There being no other nominations, Carlson was accepted unanimously as president.

Tillotson nominated Mencarelli for the position of vice president. There being no other nominations, Mencarelli was accepted unanimously as vice president.

Scrimger gave an update on video equipment purchase. VCR's and cameras are in. Cameras are currently checked out by Mencarelli and Carlson. Interfaces are on order but have not yet been received. Three tripods have been purchased from Hokanson's. They are identical to the ones already in use and cost a total of \$510.00

Mencarelli gave a report the status of the drop line to the high school. The line is ready. After a short discussion, the commission agreed to meet on February 12 to move equipment to the high school location.

Carlson gave channel update. Nothing unusual to report.

Mencarelli asked about status of funds. Scrimger reported that there are about \$1261 in unencumbered funds in the P.E.G. fund. Motion by Mencarelli, second by Balcer to pay \$1000.00 as a token payment to Glen Carlson for services provided as a technician at the tower site between 7-1-99 and 6-30-00.

Ayes-3 Nays-0 Carlson abstained

Scrimger was directed to take care of this. All members agreed that this payment should be made to Carlson as a service provider or contractor, not as an employee.

Mencarelli proposed designing a graphic that could be used for Channel 2. The Commission agreed to develop something based on the current city/count logo. Scrimger and Mencarelli will work on this. Southerland suggested asking the New's Advocate to do a story around the new equipment.

Motion by Balcer, seconded by Southerland to make a budget request from the city equal to \$15,000 or 30% of the franchise fee, which ever is greater. Scrimger presented a draft letter requesting funds from Filer Township. Letters will also be sent to other townships served by P.E.G. Mencarelli requested a work session to address budget issues

The date of the next meeting was set as February 23, 2000.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 P.M.